



NEKMPA Coastal Wardens

Advice on reporting incidents



Emergencies

Coastguard, Ambulance, Police or Fire call: 999

If someone appears to be in trouble in the water

Call 999 and ask for the Coastguard

Anti-social activities & vandalism

To report incidents of these call:

Kent Police Non Emergency Number: 101

Anti-Social Behaviour/graffiti (Thanet): 01843 577888

Pollution

If you think the waste may be contaminated (e.g., chemical waste, or oil spills) do not touch or remove it yourself.

If the incident is on the beach, above high water mark:

Environment Agency's Emergency 24 hour hot line:

0800 80 70 60

If the incident is in the sea, below high water mark:

Dover Coastguard operations:

01304 210008

Animals & Birds

If found stranded, injured or in distress on the beach:

RSPCA: 0300 1234 999

BDMLR: 01825 765546 (07787 433412) – marine life

If dead, please do not touch or try to move, report to:

Thanet Coast Project: 01843 577672

(‘Out of office hours’, call Thanet District Council **577000**)

For oil-affected seabirds, contact:

Birchington Veterinary Centre: 01843 845347

Westgate Veterinary Centre: 01843 833017

Margate -Thanet Animal Hospital: 01843 226678

Broadstairs, Briar House: 01843 863395

Ramsgate Veterinary Surgery: 01843 591899

Rubbish

If you find rubbish dumped on the beach:

Thanet e-mail: waste&streetcleaning@thanet.gov.uk

or for rubbish or graffiti via the **MyThanet App**

(download the for free for [Android devices](#) or [Apple devices](#))

Contact Local Authorities – see below.

Dogs

Owners are required to clean up after their dog in all public places. Several beaches are dog-free in the summer - see the Coastal Codes or Dogs on the Thanet Coast leaflets for details.

Contact Local Authorities – see below.

Local bylaws on the foreshore

Your local authority is responsible for local bylaws.

Note: in some cases a criminal offence may also have been committed, and the police may need to be involved. However, you should leave this decision to the Council.

Thanet District Council:	01843 577000
Dover District Council:	01304 821199
Canterbury City Council:	01227 862000

If you have any suggestions, questions or concerns please contact:
01843 577672

thanet.coast@thanet.gov.uk
website: nekmpa.org.uk

Do remember that as a Coastal Volunteer, you are a volunteer and volunteers have no legal responsibilities or powers. Please do not put yourself in danger by getting involved in incidents – and report them to the appropriate authority instead.

NEKMPA Coastal Wardens ONLY:

Report Incidents, Wildlife, Record Your Activity Surveys, & for further information – online at:

<http://nekmpa.org.uk/coastal-warden-survey/>

Please do NOT circulate this link - as it is the Coastal Warden own webpage.